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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, BG, PWK
SUBJECT: PAKISTAN-BANGLADESH RELATIONS

1. FOREIGN SECRETARY FAKHRUDDIN AHMED TELLS ME THEY HAVE RECEIVED NEW COMMUNICATION FROM PAKISTAN REGARDING RESUMPTION OF UNHCR AIRLIFT WHICH HAD BEEN ENCOURAGING IN ITS CONCILIATORY TONE. MESSAGE HAD STRESSED THAT PAKISTAN WAS GIVING "URGENT CONSIDERATIONY TO RECEIVING NON-BENGALEES WHO HAD BEEN CLEARED BY ICRC. THE COMMUNICATION DID NOT MENTION THE NUMBER. (THE FOREIGN SECRETARY NOTED THAT THERE ARE DISCREPHANCIES ABOUT THE NUMBERS WHICH HAVE BEEN CLEARED BUT THINKS DOUBLE COUNTING MAY BE THE REASON; THE FOREIGN MINISTER USED THE FIGURE OF 12,000 WITH US RECENTY AND WE HAVE ALSO BEEN TOLD THAT PAKISTAN WAS CONSIDERING RECEIVING 4,000 FROM BANGLADESH.)

2. WITH REFERENCE TO HIS PROPOSAL TO SEND A MESSAGE TO THE GOP THROUGH THE SWISS PROPOSING DETAILS OF A PAKISTAN-BANGLADESH MEETING AS A FOLLOW-UP TO THE SECRETARY'S DISCUSSION OF THIS POINT WITH BHUTTO (DACCA'S 0762), FOREIGN SECRETARY SAID THEY HAD DECIDED TO HOLD UP ON THIS UNTIL FOREIGN MINISTER KAMAL HOSSAIN RETURNS TO DACCA SO THAT THEY CAN CONSULT HIS VIEWS.
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